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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING AN IMPROVED LAYOUT PATTERN OF

PAIR TRANSISTORS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 **BOX AF** 

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 4, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.